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C O N F I D E N T I A L ADDIS ABABA 10424

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINS PINT ET
SUBJ: ANTI-EMPEROR PRESSURE MOUNTS AS AFCC WARNS AGAINST DEMONSTARTIONS

1. ON SUNDAY EMPEROR WAS REPORTEDLY SPAT AT AND CALLED EPITHETS WHILE EN ROUTE TO CHURCH.

2. ON SEPT 2 WELL-ORGANIZED GROUPS, CHANTING "HAILE SELASSIE OUT", "HAILE SELASSIE -- OLD MAN, THIEF", ETC,DEMONSTRATED IN ADDIS STREETS AND OUTSIDE EMPEROR'S PALACE. PALACE DEMONSTRATORS ESTIMATED AT 500.

3. AFTER DEMONSTRATION, AFCC ISSUED STATEMENT DESCRIBED BY ENGLISH-LANGUAGE ETHIOPIAN HERALD SEPT 3 AS STRONG WARNING AGAINST "ANY FORM OF PUBLIC DEMONSTRATION IN COUNTRY." AFCC SAID THAT WHILE APPRECIATED PUBLIC SUPPORT FOR ITS OBJECTIVES, PUBLIC DEMONSTRATIONS, WITHOUT PRIOR AFCC CONSENT,WERE STILL FORBIDDEN.
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4. COMMENT: AFCC WARNING APPARENTLY RESULT OF FEAR THAT DEMONSTRATORS MIGHT GO TOO FAR, OR ELICIT UNCONTROLLABLE INCIDENTS, RATHER THAN FROM ANY DESIRE TO SHORE UP EMPEROR. EXPECTATION OF SOME ACTION AGAINST HAILE SELASSIE (REPLACEMENT? DETENTION? EXILE?) IS RISING RAPIDLY. QUESTION REMAINS, HOWEVER, WHETHER AFCC, WHICH APPEARS TO BE CARRYING ADDIS OPINION WITH IT, IS GETTING TOO FAR OUT IN FRONT OF EMPEROR'S RURAL SUBJECTS IN ITS TREATMENT OR MONARCH AND CAMPAIGN TO DISCREDIT HIM PERSONALLY.
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